

Stated Meeting, February 17, 1888.

Present, 19 members.

President, Mr. FRALEY, in the chair.

Correspondence was submitted as follows: A letter acknowledging diploma from Dr. Edward Suess, Vienna.

Acknowledgments for Proceedings from Fondation de P. Teyler, Harlem (125); Brooklyn Entomological Society (125, 126); Philadelphia Library Co., Mr. Thomas Meehan, Philadelphia (126); Mr. John F. Carll, Pleasantville, Pa. (126); Lackawanna Institute of History and Science, Scranton (126); Kansas Historical Society, Topeka (126); Prof. Joseph LeConte Berkely, Cal. (126).

Request for exchanges from the Naturwissenschaftlicher Verein des Regierungs-Bezirks, Frankfurt a O.; which, on motion, was granted from Proceedings, No. 96.

A circular from the U. S. National Museum, Washington, relating to "rude or unfinished implements of the paleolithic type," which was referred to the Curators.

Envoys from the Mining Department, Melbourne; Naturwissenschaftlicher Verein des Regierungs-Bezirks, Frankfurt a.O.; Bureau of Ethnology, Washington.

A photograph was received for the album from Mr. Heber S. Thompson, Pottsville.

Accessions to the Library were reported from Anthropologische Gesellschaft, Wien; Verein zur Beförderung des Gartenbaues in den K. P. Staaten, K. P. Landesanstalt und Bergakademie, Berlin; Naturwissenschaftlicher Verein des Regierungs-Bezirks, Frankfurt a.O.; Verein für Erdkunde, Halle a.S.; Verein für Erdkunde, Metz; R. Società Italiana D'Igiene, Milano; R. Accademia dei Lincei, Roma; R. Academia de Ciencias Naturales y Artes, Barcelona; Mr. Horatio Hale, Clinton, Canada; Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston; Museum of Comparative Zoölogy, Harvard College Observatory, Cambridge; Astor Library, New York; American Pharmaceutical Association, College of Physicians,

Inspectors of the State Penitentiary, Mr. Henry Phillips, Jr., Philadelphia; Interstate Commerce Commission, Washington, D.C.; Cincinnati Observatory, Society of Natural History, Cincinnati; Elliott Society of Science and Art, Charleston; University of California, Berkeley; Observatorio Nacional Argentino, Buenos Aires.

The Committee appointed to examine the papers presented for the Transactions by Prof. Cope, reported progress and was continued.

The President announced the decease of Sir Henry Sumner Maine (February 3, 1888, æt. 69).

The minutes of the Board of Officers and Council were submitted.

This being the stated evening for balloting for candidates for membership, pending nominations Nos. 1173, 1174, and 1175 were read, spoken to and balloted for.

New nomination No. 1176 was read.

Prof. Cope presented, through the Secretaries, for the Proceedings two papers: 1. On the Dicotylinae of the John Day Miocene of North America. 2. Mechanical origin of the Dentition of the Amblypoda.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the President and Treasurer be authorized to sell, not exceeding \$10,000 of the Loan of the City of Philadelphia standing in the name of the Society, and the Treasurer, J. Sergeant Price, be authorized to make the necessary transfer of the same upon the books of the City."

The recommendation of Council, that the Society should procure a fire-proof for the purpose of preserving its more valuable business and literary MSS. was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Hall to consider and report thereon to the Society.

The tellers reported after a scrutiny of the ballots that the following candidates had been duly elected members of the Society:

No. 2148, Charles E. Sajous, M.D., Philadelphia.

No. 2149. Alexander Biddle, Philadelphia.

No. 2150. Edmund B. Wilson, Bryn Mawr.

And the Society was adjourned by the President.